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## GENEROUS TO HER SOLDIERS

BERNALD POINTS OUT WHAT COUNTRY HAS DONE FOR VETERANS AND WIDOWS.

Washington, May 18—(Special correspondence) Senator Bert M. Fernald of Maine was in charge of the bill recently passed unanimously by the Senate appropriating \$17,000,000 for the construction of more hospitals for the accommodation of disabled service men. In the course of his remarks on the measure, Senator Fernald gave statistics of what the United States has done for its soldiers in the World War as compared with what was done in former wars, and with what other governments have done for their veterans that should be brought to the attention of every person who thinks this country has been negligent in that respect.

"Senators may be surprised to know the difference in the treatment of the soldiers by the different governments," said Senator Fernald. "Outside of Australia and New Zealand, no Government that was in any way connected with the late war has paid anything like what the United States has paid her soldiers. Canada alone paid her soldiers \$33 per month. The United States paid her soldiers \$33 per month. Great Britain paid her soldiers \$3 per month. France, Austria, Hungary, Italy, and Japan paid their soldiers less than \$2 per month. So Senators may see that in comparison with what other Governments have paid, the United States has been exceedingly generous."

"No soldier of the Revolutionary War received a pension, for over 40 years after the close of the war, of more than \$5 per month, and that only in case of disability to such an extent as to prevent his performing manual labor."

"No soldier who served in the war for independence was allowed a pension for any reason except injuries of disability incurred in the service, for 42 years."

"No soldier of the War of 1812 was pensioned for any cause, except for disability incurred in service, until 60 years after the war."

"No widow of the War of 1812 received a pension until the act of 1816, and then only \$4 per month."

"No soldier of the Mexican War received a pension except such as were wounded or disabled in the service, until 40 years after the close of the war."

"Those totally disabled as the result of service received \$8 per month. 'No soldier of the Civil War who was not injured or disabled by his military service received any pension from the Government until the act of 1890, 25 years after the close of the war.'

"Those totally disabled received only \$8 per month in case of privates, and only \$30 per month in case of lieutenant colonels and those of higher rank."

"No widow of Civil War soldiers was granted a pension until 25 years after the close of the war, and then only upon proof of the soldier's death being of service origin."

"At the close of this fiscal year we will have expended during this 12-month period for the benefit of the soldiers \$438,000,000, twice as much as was ever expended before in aid of the soldiers of any war."

"From the beginning of the Revolutionary War until July 4, 1836—53 years after the close of the war—no widow of an enlisted soldier who served in the War for Independence was ever allowed a pension. But by the act of July 4, 1836, and several amendatory acts, widows of Revolutionary soldiers were allowed a pension at first of \$4 and later \$8 per month. They were never allowed more than that until the act of 1886—more than 100 years after the war."

"Until the act of 1816 no widow of the War of 1812 received a pension. But by that act widows of soldiers who were killed in the service were allowed half pay, or \$48 per year—\$4 per month."

"Widows of soldiers killed in the Mexican War received half pay of \$48 per year for life, and it never was increased above that amount until 1887—40 years after the close of the war—and then increased to \$8 per month."

"In 1886 pensions of widows of Civil War veterans were increased to \$12 per month, so that no widow of a

Civil War veteran whose death resulted from injuries received or disease contracted in the service received as much as \$12 per month until over 20 years after the close of the war. Their pensions remained at \$12 until 1916, when they were increased to \$20 per month, so that it was not until 25 years after the close of the war that the widows of Civil War veterans could receive a pension except upon proof that the soldier's death was of service origin.

"Widows of veterans of the Spanish War have never been allowed a pension of more than \$12 per month; and prior to the passage of the Sells Act they were never allowed that except in case where the soldier's death was due to injury received or disease contracted in the service."

"I want to say, in connection with insurance, that 148,000 claims have already been allowed; that there is still in force insurance to the amount of \$3,500,000,000, and no Government ever made such provision before for the soldiers of any war. They are handling at the department 1,000 new Claims every day, in addition to the 1,200,000 already on file, and employing 4,000 ex-service men in carrying out the work."

"In addition to the above, the Veterans' Bureau has allowed 305,000 compensation claims, and has paid out in compensation benefits \$300,000,000. We are mailing out 650,000 checks every month, representing an expenditure of \$43,000,000 monthly; giving vocational training, without cost, to 100,000 disabled ex-service men; providing hospital care for 30,000 ex-service men, at an annual expenditure of \$60,000,000; expending \$1,000,000 cash every day for ex-service men and their dependents."

"So, Mr. President, since 1918 this Government has expended \$1,410,000,000, and from now on, under the provisions of the laws we have already enacted, it will cost this Government \$438,000,000, twice as much as was ever expended before for the soldiers of any war."

## A SQUIB OR TWO

### WHAT WON'T THEY DO?

The Gratiot County Herald in telling of the county-wide Democratic meeting held at Ithaca last week said, "About seventy-five were present, eighteen of whom were women. They were scattered over the county." Thrown to the four winds of the heavens, perhaps.

This same contemporary says in a headline, "Why Tempt Misfortune? Use Lights." Use of caution is out of date perhaps.

### TIED THE RAVELINGS

"Oscar Curtiss and Mae Lint married," says our friend the Mt. Pleasant Times. Knotted and no more lint, is our guess.

Our good natured contemporary residing across from the city hall says, "Flying ball bat severely injures Coach Campbell." Bumped numerous times in various spots we suppose.

"Who caught that Rainbow?" asks the Clinton County Republican of St. Johns, in a headline. Not us. We've even got tired of chasing the dang things.

"Hat sings," we notice in the State Brevities column of the Clinton Republican. We would like to have 'em call us around when it does.

### POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT

I wish at this time to state that I am a candidate on the Republican ticket at the Primary Election, for the nomination for the office of Register of Deeds of Gratiot County.

I was Deputy Register of Deeds, and worked in the office during the time that my father was Register, and am in charge of the office at this time as such Deputy, and feel that I am familiar with the work and competent to hold the office, and ask the support of the voters at the coming Primary.

Merle Heisler.  
Political advertisement—2 wks

(Political Advertisement)

Wish to state that contrary to reports being circulated, I have not withdrawn my name but am still a candidate on the Republican ticket for nomination for Sheriff.

Ralph E. Pettit.  
51-2w-c.

If it is something to be printed, we can print it. The Alma Record.—advertisement 10-3w

## Local Happenings Tersely Told

John C. Chick was in Lansing on business Friday.

Special prices on all hats—Elite Style Parlor—advertisement. 52-2w

A. W. Davis was in Saginaw Friday on business.

You will find the best bread in Butter Cup wrappers. 02-tfc

William A. Babike, attorney was in Detroit on legal business yesterday.

Dr. E. G. Sluyter, osteopathic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phones. 57-4f

Mrs. Alfred J. Bell of Wichita, Kansas, is the guest of Miss Annette E. Ward at Wright Hall.

J. W. Kelder, superintendent of schools, was in Detroit the latter part of last week on business.

Biggest stock of Fishing Tackle we have ever shown. Winslow Bros. Drug Store.—advertisement. 51-2w

Mrs. A. A. Winters of Ithaca visited at the home of her son, E. R. Winters, and family on Sunday.

Mrs. J. E. Road of Buffalo, N. Y., is visiting with her mother, Mrs. Ella McLean and family, of this city.

Mrs. Frank Clow and Mrs. Fred Clow visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wood of Newark Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Ervin are moving this week to Kingston, Michigan, where Mr. Ervin will farm this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward McLean and daughter, Mrs. Road spent Mother's day at the home of the former's son, H. L. McLean, at Midland.

You can have a splendid appetite, perfect digestion and sound, restful sleep by taking Tanlac. Look-Paterson Drug Co.—advertisement.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Howell of Middleton visited at the home of the former's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Blair, the first of the week.

Remember to get your certificate of title for your car, also your license. It is necessary before July 1. Get blanks and get them filled out at Sharrar & Watson's. 47-tf

Sheriff Willert and Prosecuting Attorney Romaine Clark of Ithaca, were in the city for a short time on business connected with their offices Friday.

Frank Cross and George Clark, who have been spending the past four months in Florida, returned to their homes in this city the latter part of last week.

O. W. Hayes spent the week end at Houghton Lake on a fishing trip. It is reported that the Republic official had considerable success on his trip in landing some good sized pike.

Mrs. J. C. Wolf, who spent the winter months in Florida, visiting on both the east and west coasts of that state, returned to her home in Alma the latter part of last week. She reports a fine winter in the south.

Commissioner Floyd H. Glass held down the chair as acting mayor at the city commission meeting Tuesday evening, neither, Mayor Charles R. Murphy, or John C. Chick, mayor pro tem being present.

Mrs. E. L. Smith, Mrs. Frank Bennett and Mrs. H. M. Dunham, Sr., attended the district convention of the Women's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. Church which was held in St. Johns last week. Mrs. Bennett was the delegate from the local society.

Donald B. Smith of the Commercial Radiophone Company of this city has announced that baseball scores of the league games are received daily at the store along with other news. The public is cordially invited to call at the store daily and receive the returns, which are furnished free to the public.

## ALMA COLLEGE LIBRARY

The following new books have been added to the Alma College Library since April 17, 1922:

Arnett, Trevor—College and university finance. 1922.

Atkinson, Wilmer—Wilmer Atkinson, an autobiography. 1920.

Burton, Richard—Bernard Shaw, the man and the mask. 1916.

Cambridge mediaeval history. v. 3. 1922. Ref.

Farrar, F. W.—The story of St. Paul.

Johnson, J. E. comp.—Cancellation of War Debt. 1922.

Kitch, E. H.—Rabindranath Tagore—a bibliography. 1922. Ref.

Leupp, F. E. National miniatures by "Tatler". 1918.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. Pamphlets.—How to take out citizenship papers.

More, P. E.—The religion of Plato. 1921.

Newcomb, Ethel—Leschetizky as I knew him. 1921.

Peters, J. P.—Bible and spade. 1922.

Powell, J. U.—New chapters in the history of Greek literature. 1921.

Rolland, Romain—Musicians of today. 1919.

Scott, J. A.—The unity of Homer. 1921.

Sharp, L. W.—An introduction to cytology. 1921.

Untermeyer Louis — Including Horace. 1922.

Wilson, Woodrow—Wit and wisdom comp by Richard Linthicum. 1916.

Wood, E. F.—Leonard Wood, conservator of Americanism. 1920.

Garner Hill, Gladstone, N. J., Sells Rat-Snap. He Says.

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